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From the Bruſſels Gazette, dated Auguſt 14.

From Melilla in Africk, June 1.

DON Domingo de la Canal y Soldevilla our Governour, having Intelligence that the Moors were making Preparation for ſome Enterprize, reſolv'd to prevent them by a Sally, which was concerted in a Council of War call'd for that purpoſe; accordingly 3 Detachments of the Regiment of Collonel Don Blas de Trincheria march'd out on the 24th of laſt Month in the Night, to poſt themſelves in Ambuſh, viz. Captain Don Martin de Sagrera with 70 Men placed himſelf under covert beyond the Fort de la Huerta; Captain John Ferriol with 70 others did the like on the ſide of Alcantarillas; Enſign Thomas Roquer with 30 Soldiers was order'd to an advanc'd Poſt; and Collonel Trincheria lay at hand with the reſt of his Regiment. The next day ſome of our Soldiers were order'd to cut down ſome Canes near the Enemies Retrenchments, in order to entice them out; but that Stratagem did not take. The following day at 6 in the Morning, the Enemies mann'd their principal Retrenchment with 300 Foot and 20 Horſe, who made ſome Shot at 4 of our Soldiers who advanc'd to take a near View of them, but did not ſtir out of their Retrenchments. Then Captain Don Antonio Firmat and Enſign Juan Moliner were commanded to advance on the Right, and the reſt of our Men to advance in Front and on the Left, and all together to attack the Enemy in their Retrenchments: Collonel Trincheria march'd in the Front at the Head of the Detachment of Don Joſeph de Salas which was of 60 Men, with which march'd 30 Soldiers commanded by Enſign Joſeph Matas; and the Captains Don Martin Sagrera, and Don Joſeph Ferriol march'd on the Left: They made ſo great a Fire on all ſides, while 15 or 20 Grenadiers climb'd up the Retrenchments, that the Enemy in diſorder abandon'd their Poſts and a little Fort, and fled towards the Hills; our Men purſued them hard for almoſt a League giving no Quarter, when our Governour march'd out and call'd them off, fearing they might fall into ſome Ambuſh. The Soldiers return'd loaded with the Spoils of the Barbarians, of whom they kill'd and wounded above 200, among the former their chief Commander nam'd Zelim Beneby, whoſe Head was brought into this Town by a Catalonian Soldier who kill'd him. In this Action we had but 2 Soldiers kill'd and 5 wounded, and Enſign Joſeph Matas receiv'd a Cut in the Face by a Scimitar. The ſame day our Governour being inform'd that one of the Enemies Veſſels appear'd in ſight, he order'd the Captains Don Bartolomeo de Medellin, and Don Jayme Tenas with 40 Voluntiers to go on board a Frigate, and with them went an arm'd Shallop; They put out to Sea, and the next Morning came up with a Turkiſh Ship which they boarded, plying the Crew that defended her with Hand Grenadoes, and after a ſhort Diſpute took her and brought her into our Port; of the Moors 13 were kill'd and 15 made Priſoners. In this Ship were taken 4 Pieces of Braſs Cannon, which were deſign'd for the Enemies Camp that keeps this Place block'd up.

From the Bruſſels Gazette, dated Auguſt 21.

Madrid, Auguſt 1. They write from Ceuta of the 19th of laſt Month, that Father Diego des Anges a Franciſcan, with 5 Miſſionaries, went the day before to the Enemies Camp, with the 51 Mooriſh Slaves which they are to conduct to Mequinez, in exchange for a like Number of Chriſtian Slaves which the King of Morocco lately ſent for a Preſent to the Queen and Cardinal Portocarrero. The ſame Letters adviſe, that there was arriv'd in the Enemies Camp a Reinforcement of 15 or 1600 Men, and that the Sons of the Emperor of Morocco that continue Obedient to him, had put a ſtop to the Progreſs of the Arms of his Rebel Son on the Confines of the Kingdom of Morocco, by timely poſting Troops in all the Paſſages into it; but that the Rebel Prince is waiting for a conſiderable Reinforcement from the Kingdom of Sus, with which he will endeavour to force thoſe Paſſages into Morocco, and purſue his Conqueſts, in order to compaſs his Deſign of Dethroning his Father.

From the Leiden Gazette, dated Auguſt 21.

Rome, July 21. We have a Report here that the Great Duke of Tuſcany has laid an Impoſition of 25 *per Cent.* on the Clergy within his Dominions, on what Pretence we are yet to learn; Mean time we are aſſur'd that if he has done it, 'tis without the Conſent of this Court. Letters from Naples of the 17th of this Month tell us, that general Murmuring and Diſaffection to the preſent Government of that Kingdom is greater than ever: That of 400000 Ducats which the Eſtates of that Kingdom were forc'd to promiſe laſt Year to give the King of Spain, but 7000 are yet paid into the Royal Treaſury, nor dare the Collectors diſtrain for the reſt, for fear of exciting a General Revolt: And that the Clergy having been aſſeſs'd their Contingent of this Subſidy, the Pope's Nuncio, (purſuant to Orders ſent him by his Holineſs) had oppos'd it ſtrenuouſly, alledging, that the Immunities of the Church exempted the Clergy from bearing any Share in ſuch Taxes.

Rome, Auguſt 4. On the 23d and 24th of laſt Month, ſeveral Congregations were held in preſence of the Pope; in one of which, 'tis ſaid, it was reſolv'd, that for the future all Perſons who enter into any Religious Order, ſhall be oblig'd to conform themſelves ſtrictly to the Rules enjoyn'd by the Founders of the ſeveral Orders. Father Rego, a Jeſuit, Agent of Portugal, in an Audience he had lately of the Pope, notified to him, that the King his Maſter is entred into the Grand Alliance againſt France and Spain. Cardinal Noris is given over by his Phyſicians. The King of Spain having made an Offer to his Holineſs of the Principality of Fondi in the Kingdom of Naples, for his Brother Don Oratio Albani, he refus'd to accept of it, that he might not give any occaſion of Diſcontent to the Emperor.

Yarmouth, Auguſt 27. Here continues in theſe Roads Her Majeſty's Ships the Warwick and Newport, with above 100 Sail of light Colliers and Coaſters:

Coasters: And yesterday came in hither Her Majesty's Ship the Adventure, which was one of Admiral Beaumont's Squadron, but being separated from him, fell in with a small Privateer belonging to Ostend of 6 Guns, who had taken a loaden Pink from Newcastle belonging to Scarborough, and a light Pink belonging to Dover, the Master and Men having left her; which two the Adventure retook and brought into our Road. But last Night, there being 8 or 9 French-men on board the light Pink, and only one English-man and two Lads, the French-men set Sail with her in the dead of Night, and being miss'd in the Morning, the Adventure is gone in pursuit of the said Pink.

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